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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant : Steven F. Bierman  
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For : MEDICAL DEVICE  
CONNECTOR FITTING  
Examiner : Kevin C. Sirmons  
Group Art Unit : 3763

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**AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450  
Dear Sir:

**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed November 18, 2005, the Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration of the subject application based on the amendments and remarks of this paper.

**Amendments to the claims** start on page 2.

**Remarks** start on page 9.